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News Release

USU Donates Blood to Help With Future Deployments

BETHESDA, Md. – Navy corpsman from the National Naval Medical Center visited the Uniformed Service University of the Health Sciences on Friday, Jan. 11. to collect blood units for future ship and troop deployments.

According to Lt. Cmdr. Roland Fahie, director of the Armed Services Blood Center at NNMC, around 15 corpsman helped collect approximately 65 units of blood.

Fahie explains that within the National Capital Area, there is a shortage of blood, particularly with O negative and O positive blood types.

USU was established by Congress under the Department of Defense in 1972 and has the nation's only fully accredited federal school of medicine and graduate school of nursing. With its motto "Learning to Care for Those in Harm's Way," the university has a worldwide reputation as a center of excellence for military medical education and research.